

LBT/rb – 2 September 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Year 8 Return to School

I would like to begin by saying how excited we are to welcome Year 8 students back to school. We know that the last six months have been exceptionally challenging in different ways for all families and we are keen to welcome students back and to regain some normality in their education. I would like to offer reassurance that we are acutely aware that many young people and their parents/carers are anxious about time missed from school, the risks of catching COVID-19 and the long term implications of this global pandemic amongst other things. Please know that we have amended the Life Skills lessons to support students on their return to school with a heavy focus on wellbeing and mental health, followed by other pertinent topics like online safety, child sexual exploitation and careers. We also have a dedicated pastoral and well-being team to offer additional support to students should they need it.

Things will be different in school for the foreseeable future but the strong links between home and school that were established during your child's first year with us are still of high importance. I urge you to continue to liaise with your child's from tutor and contact me if you feel it necessary to do so. We are keen to build on the successes and progress achieved by the students last year, before and during lockdown. We will work hard to ensure their education is enriched with opportunities for rewards, celebration and fun despite the necessary changes to their school experience.

Year 8 students will return to school on Tuesday 8 September during which they will spend the day with their form group and their form tutor completing various housekeeping tasks and work to support their return to school. Students will not need their PE kit on the first day. When they arrive at school every day including on the first day, they must go straight to their classroom. The room that they must go to on the first day is outlined in the grid below:

Tutor Group	8SUE	8CHL	8HAL	8SUL	8CAE	8CHE	8HAE	8CAL
Room	M5F	M6F	M7F	M8F	M1G	M2G	M3G	M4G

Students will be issued their timetable on the first day back so they will know which room to go to on subsequent days.

If you have any concerns that you would like to share with me then please get in touch.

Yours faithfully
The Long Eaton School

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